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[FEMA–1331–DR]

Tennessee; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Tennessee, (FEMA–1331–DR), dated June 12, 2000, and related determinations.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster for the State of Tennessee is hereby amended to include the following area among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of June 12, 2000: Weakley County for Public Assistance.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.542, Fire Suppression Assistance; 83.543, Individual and Family Grant (IFG) Program; 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.545, Disaster Housing Assistance Grants; 83.546, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Robert J. Adamcik, Deputy Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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Notice of Field Test of the State Management of the Public Assistance Operations in Small Disasters

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We (FEMA) give notice that we will field test the devolution of major management responsibility of the Public Assistance Program to interested States in small disasters beginning on or after July 1, 2000. We award Public Assistance grants, which supplement community assets in the recovery of State, local and eligible private non-profit infrastructure when the President declares an emergency or major disaster. The proposed change in the program management does not constitute changes to the process by which assistance is provided nor does it constitute a change in benefits under the law or regulation.


EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act provides for the award of grants to assist in the repair and reconstruction of community infrastructure. With the help of State officials, we have explored the option of having capable States manage the Public Assistance Program in small disasters. However, before formally instituting the option of devolving this responsibility, we will field test the concept in selected disasters occurring on or after July 1, 2000, to validate the concept and to determine whether additional refinements are necessary. State participation in the field test(s) will be voluntary. FEMA and an affected State will enter into an operational agreement for the field test after the State elects to manage the disaster and FEMA determines that the State is capable. The operational agreement will define the roles and responsibilities of both the State and FEMA as well as the processes and procedures in effect under the agreement.

Under this initiative, a capable State will manage the Public Assistance Program operation, including project eligibility reviews, process control, and resource allocation on small disasters. We will retain obligation authority, final approval of environmental and historic preservation reviews, and we will help the State to the extent that the State requests such assistance. We and the State will conduct on-going quality control checks of a sample of Project Worksheets to ensure accurate eligibility decisions, scopes of work, and cost estimates. A Quality Assurance Team consisting of our and State staff will evaluate the Public Assistance recovery operation and determine the level of success of the pilot program. We will develop evaluation criteria before the pilot program and will include the criteria in the operational agreement.

Dated: June 20, 2000.

Lacy E. Suiter, Executive Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notices listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board’s Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than July 19, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

(Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–2713:

1. James Steve Daniels, Livingston, Tennessee to retain voting shares of American BancShares Corporation, Livingston, Tennessee, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of